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The Honorable Duncan Hunter  
Chairman, Committee on  
Armed Service  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

This letter constitutes a Report to Congress on Processing of Reports of Promotion Selection Boards as required by Senate Report 105-189.

Processing of the FY-04 Active Duty Navy Commander Staff Corps Promotion Selection Board Report exceeded 100 days on June 21, 2002.

The board report was forwarded to the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff on May 15, 2003. The processing of the board report was delayed pending the analysis and reconciliation of the selection rate of officers who have served or are serving in "other" joint duty assignments.

I anticipate that the FY-04 Active Duty Navy Commander Staff Corps Promotion Selection Board Report will be forwarded to the Office of the Secretary of Defense by June 26, 2003. I will submit a report every 30 days until the promotion selection board is approved.

A similar letter has been sent to the Chairman of the Senate Armed Services Committee.

Sincerely,

*Hansford T. Johnson*

Hansford T. Johnson  
Secretary of the Navy  
Acting

Copy to:  
The Honorable Ike Skelton  
Ranking Member

**REPORT TO THE COMMITTEE ON ARMED SERVICES OF THE SENATE AND  
THE NATIONAL SECURITY COMMITTEE OF THE HOUSE OF  
REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PROCESSING OF REPORTS OF PROMOTION  
BOARDS**

This report is submitted pursuant to the Committee on Armed Services Department of Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1999 Report dated 11 May 1998.

This report details the processing of the FY-04 Active Commander Staff Corps Promotion Selection Board, which exceeds the 100-day limit established by the committee report. This report includes an explanation for the delay, an assessment of when the board report will be approved, and an accounting for the processing time in each office through which the board report has passed to this point.

**EXPLANATION FOR THE DELAY:**

The delay in the processing of this promotion selection board is primarily due to (1) the collection and analysis of adverse and alleged adverse information, and (2) the required review of the Joint statistics by the Office of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff.

**ASSESSMENT OF WHEN THE BOARD REPORTS WILL BE APPROVED:**

The FY-04 Active Commander Staff Corps Promotion Selection Board is currently with SECNAV and will be submitted to the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) on or about 26 June. The Secretary of Defense takes approximately three to six weeks to process a report. Following OSD review, board results will be released.

The best estimate for final approval of this report is late July or early August 2003.

**ACCOUNTING FOR PROCESSING TIME:**

FY-04 Active Commander Staff Corps Promotion Selection Board adjourned 14 March 2003.

14 March - 31 March. NPC prepares board report.

2 April - 7 April. CNP reviews and signs board report.

14 March - 1 May. Awaiting results of adverse or alleged adverse information from NCIS and NIG.

7 April - 16 April. OJAG conducts review of board report.

17 April. VCNO reviews and signs board report.

21 April. CNO reviews and signs board report. Board report held at CNO pending receipt of adverse information summaries.

5 May. Adverse information summaries received at CNO.

5 May - 12 May. CNO and VCNO review adverse information summaries.

14 May - 15 May. SECNAV conducts initial review of board report and submits the report to the Office of the Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff (OCJCS) for review.

16 May - 23 June. Review by OCJCS.

24 June - 26 June. SECNAV conducts final review and submits the selection board report to the Secretary of Defense for review.